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EL SALVADOR: 130 PEASANTS MURDERED; POISON GAS USED

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((TEXT)) SAN JOSE--THE BODIES OF 130 PEASANTS HAVE BEEN FOUND IN EL CHAPARRAL, ON THE FOTHILLS OF GUAZAPA VOLCANO, 40 KM NORTH OF SAN SALVADOR.

JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES SAID THE GROUP WAS COMPOSED OF WOMEN, CHILDREN AND ELDERLY PEOPLE. THE SIGHT OF THE BODIES HEAPED AT THE BOTTOM OF A RAVINE AT THE SPOT KNOWN AS EL CHAPARRAL WAS MACABRE, CENTRAL AMERICAN STATIONS REPORTED.

SALPRES REPORTED THAT, AFTER FAILING IN A MILITARY OFFENSIVE, THE REGIME SPENT ITS FURY ON THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AND AT LEAST 40 OF THE PEASANTS DIED FROM THE EFFECTS OF POISON GAS SPREAD BY THE SALVADORAN AIR FORCE. MANY OF THE BODIES ARE MUTILATED AND HAVE BULLET HOLES IN THE HEAD.

MEANWHILE, THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT HAS BLAME BLAMED
THE UNITED STATES FOR THE MASSACRE OF 130 PEOPLE, STRESSING THAT THE CHEMICAL AGENTS AND LETHAL GASES USED IN INDISCRIMINATE BOMBINGS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION ARE SUPPLIED BY THE PENTAGON.
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